

REMARKS

The Notice to File Corrected Application Papers alleges that the application is informal and does not comply with the regulations because all pages of the application and all figures of the drawings are not electronically reproducible. The undersigned respectfully disagrees, in view of inspection of the electronic reproduction of the application papers as found on the USPTO PAIR system. These electronic reproductions are acceptable except for an objectionable horizontal or near-horizontal scan line across each and every page about 3.5 inches from the top of each sheet. This scan line was not present on the original application papers as filed by the undersigned by Express Mail.

More importantly, as evidenced by the attached Exhibits A, B, and C, which are print-outs of the electronic reproductions from the PAIR records, the objectionable scan line also appears on Forms PTO-1556 and PTO-875 for the present application. The USPTO created and scanned these forms. Therefore, the objectionable scan line is not due to any defect in the applicants' original papers, because the scan line also appears on the electronic reproductions of the USPTO generated papers.

The applicants respectfully request the Commissioner to locate the original application papers, to scan these original application papers into the PAIR system, and to withdraw the determination that the original application papers are informal.

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